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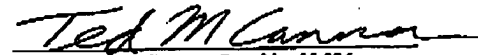
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Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the October 12, 2004 advisory action in the above-referenced application. In the advisory action, the Examiner noted that Claims 54-57 of Applicants' July 28, 2004 amendment contain new features that require further search and consideration. Accordingly, the Examiner did not enter the July 28, 2004 amendment.

Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's finding that Claims 54-57 contain new features. Instead, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 54-57 have the same scope as Claims 53 and 54 as presented in Applicants' October 29, 2003 amendment. Accordingly, because the Examiner indicated that Claims 53 and 54 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form, Applicants believe that the July 28, 2004 amendment placed the application in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner should have entered the July 28, 2004 amendment and should have allowed Claims 54-57 and Applicants respectfully request such action.

Applicants thank the Examiner for granting Applicants' attorney a telephonic interview on November 5, 2004 to discuss this issue. During that interview, the Examiner encouraged Applicants' attorney to file a request for reconsideration of the advisory action. The Examiner